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Title: HYBRID ELECTRO-  
OPTIC CABLE FOR FREE  
SPACE LASER  
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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

EXAM. INITIALS	REF. DES	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	D1	6,295,401	09/25/2001	Rutterman et al.			
	D2	4,896,939	01/30/1990	O'Brien			
	D3	4,156,104	05/22/1979	Mondello			

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	D4	98/54732	12/03/1998	WO			
	D5	2360853	10/03/2001	GB			

**OTHER ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

	D6	International Search Report, Application No. PCT/US 03/02547, mailed December 9, 2003.					

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